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and the web server running on the same host, thereby notifying the at least one web server that the master source file set has changed; and

(d) receiving a response from the at least one web server indicating that the destination file system installed the identified changes.

2. (Amended) The method of claim 1 further comprising the step of:

(e) transmitting a copy of a changed file of the master source file set to the agent.

4. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the identifying step comprises the steps of:

inspecting a current version of the master source file set; and

comparing the current version to a previous version of the master source file set.

5. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the identifying step comprises the steps of:

installing a device driver to perform file operations and monitor changes to the master source file set; and

recording, by the device driver, changes to the master source file set.

6. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the identifying step comprises:

receiving a manifest describing changes to the master source file set.

7. (Amended) The method of claim 4 wherein the comparing step comprises comparing a file attribute of a file of the current version of the master source file set to a file attribute of a file of the previous version of the master source file set.

8. (Amended) The method of claim 7 wherein the file attribute comprises at least one attribute chosen from the group consisting of file size, file permissions, file ownership, modification time, and a hash of the file.

9. (Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising, before the identifying step, the step of calling a script of user configurable instructions by calling an operating system function.

10. (Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising, before the transmitting step, the step of calling a script of user configurable instructions by calling an operating system function.

11. (Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising, after the transmitting step, the step of calling a script of user configurable instructions by calling an operating system function.

15. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the transmitting step comprises multicasting.

19. (Amended) A web service system, comprising:

a manager for managing the web service system;

a host comprising a web server for receiving web page requests and an agent in communication with the manager and the web server; and

a content distributor in communication with the host and the manager, the content distributor providing notification of changes to a master source file set to the host and for receiving a response indicating that the identified changes are installed.

20. (Amended) The system of claim 19, further comprising a traffic manager in communication with the manager, the traffic manager directing web page requests to the web server.

21. (Amended) The system of claim 19, wherein the content distributor comprises:

(a) an identification module for identifying changes in the master source file set;

(b) a modification list for storing identified changes to the master source file set;

(c) a transmitter for transmitting the modification list to the agent, the agent having access to a destination file system; and

(d) a receiver for receiving a response indicating that the destination file system received the identified changes.

22. (Amended) The system of claim 21, further comprising a transmitter for transmitting a copy of a changed file of the master source file set to the agent.

23. (Amended) The system of claim 21, wherein the agent comprises an installer for installing a copy of a changed file of the master source file set on the destination file system.

24. (Amended) A content distributor in communication with a computer, comprising:

(a) an identification module for identifying changes in a master source file set;